Reviewer's report

Title: Stroke prevalence in Spanish elderly from screening surveys

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I am pleased with the way authors have dealt with the comments. I have no more substantial comments, and only a suggestion for the discussion section below.

Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

As authors mention, one of the limitations of this study is methodological differences between surveys. In relation to this, differences in the definition of stroke between survey should also be mentioned. For instance, the higher prevalence of stroke in El prat could be also partly due to the fact that this survey included TIAs as part of the definition of stroke, whereas many others would not. This is unlikely to explain the pattern itself, but my contribute to it.

What next?: Accept after discretionary revisions

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No